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Date:**Gen. W.B. Smith  
Leaves Hospital**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, President Eisenhower's chief of staff in Europe in World War II, was discharged from Walter Reed Army Medical Center yesterday after nearly a year as a patient.

The 65-year-old soldier-diplomat entered the hospital Oct. 13, 1959, for treatment of pneumonia and a lung abscess. He was carried on the critically-ill list for months, and underwent minor surgery twice for relief of the abscess.

Upon his discharge physicians described his condition as "very fine." The general himself said he is going back to work. He is retired from the Army.

After his wartime service Smith served as director of the Central Intelligence agency, undersecretary of state and ambassador to Russia. Later he became an executive with the American Machine & Foundry Co.